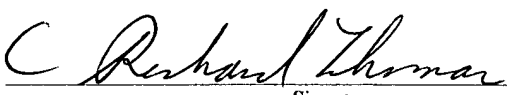



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<b>Invention: DRIVE ARRANGEMENT WITH A FIXED BEARING</b>					
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Honorable Sir:

This is a reply to the Office Action dated August 1, 2005 regarding the above-identified patent application. Claims 1-15 are pending in the application. Claims 1-15 are rejected:

The **Current Status of the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.